## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method to manage a power state of a processing system, comprising:

sensing for a human presence in a region proximate a processing system independently of any human physical engagement of the processing system;

generating a status signal based on said sensing; and,

controlling at least one user-perceptible output of the processing system based, at least in part, on said <u>status</u> signal, wherein said act of controlling comprises providing electrical power to the processing system when a user is detected when electrical power had <u>previously</u> been turned off and when no user had <u>previously</u> been detected.

- 2. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said act of sensing comprises sensing the region from which a user can view a visual output of the processing system.
- 3. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said act of controlling comprises muting an audio output associated with the processing system when the human presence is detected.
- 4. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said act of controlling comprises blanking a display device associated with the processing system when the human presence is detected.

- 5. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said act of controlling comprises blanking a display device associated with the processing system when the human presence is not detected.
- 6. (Original) The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said act of controlling comprises blanking a display device associated with the processing system if the human presence is not detected for a period of time.
- 7. (Cancelled)

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8. (Currently Amended) A method to manage a power state of a processing system, comprising:

defining a region proximate a processing system and within which a user enters to use the processing system;

detecting a user who has entered the region; and,

responsive to said detecting and independent of a user physically engaging the processing system, causing an effect on a display device associated with the processing system, wherein said causing comprises turning on electrical power for the display device when the user is detected.

- 9. (Original) The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said defining comprises defining the region from which a visual image created by the processing system can be viewed by the user.
- 10. (Original) The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said causing comprises powering-up the display device when the user is detected.
- 11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (Original) The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said causing comprises powering-up at least a portion of the processing system when the user is detected.
- 13. (Original) The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said causing comprises powering-down the display device when the user is not detected.

14. (Original) The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said causing comprises powering-down the display device when the user is not detected for a predetermined period of time.

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15. (Currently Amended) A display device comprising:
a means for creating display to present a user-perceptible image
which is viewable from a region proximate the display device;

a means for generating sensor to generate a signal relating to a user being present in the region; and,

a means for affecting the user perceptible image based, at least in part, on the signal, wherein the affecting comprises turning controller to turn on electrical power to at least a portion of the display device when a user is detected after a period when electrical power had been turned off and no user had been detected.

- 16. (Currently Amended) The display device as recited in claim 15, wherein the <u>controller means for affecting comprises a means for processing</u> which is positioned in the display device.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The display device as recited in claim 15, wherein the controller is positioned within a remote control device. wherein the means for affecting comprises a means for processing which is positioned in a means for remotely controlling the display device.
- 18. (Canceled)
- 19. (Currently Amended) The display device as recited in claim 15, wherein the means for creating a user-perceptible image display device comprises a digital device.

- 20. (Currently Amended) The display device as recited in claim 15, wherein the means for creating a user-perceptible image display device comprises a liquid crystal display.
- 21. (Currently Amended) The display device as recited in claim 15, wherein the means for creating a user-perceptible image display device comprises an analog device.
- 22. (Currently Amended) The display device as recited in claim 15, wherein the means for creating a user-perceptible image display device comprises a cathode ray tube.

23-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) A processing system comprising:

a display device comprising a first processor and configured to generate a visual display perceptible by a user positioned in a region proximate the display device;

at least one sensor coupled to the display device and configured to sense a human presence in the region independent of the human physically engaging the processing system, wherein the at least one sensor is configured to create generates a signal and wherein the visual display of the display device can be affected by is provided electrical power in response to the signal; and

a second device coupled to the display device and wherein the second device contains a second processor and wherein a processing speed of the second processor can be is affected by the signal.

- 31. (Currently Amended) The processing system as recited in claim 30, wherein the at least one sensor is located on the display device generally above the visual display.
- 32. (Cancelled)
- 33. (Currently Amended) The processing system as recited in claim [[32]] 30, wherein the second device comprises a tower.
- 34. (Currently Amended) The processing system as recited in claim [[32]] 30 comprising a personal computer.

35-37. (Cancelled)